

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) A trim panel for use with a vehicle seat having a seat component which can be displaced relative to at least a first part of a seat substructure, the seat component having a seat cushion, the first part of the seat substructure being movable in a substantially horizontal direction together with the seat component relative to a second part of the seat substructure, the trim panel comprising:

a ~~support part~~ first portion attachable to the seat component, ~~the support part having a first;~~

a second portion configured to support the seat cushion; and

a ~~second~~ third portion configured to substantially conceal at least the first part of the seat substructure;

wherein the ~~support part~~ trim panel is displaceable with the seat component relative to the first part of the seat substructure when attached to the seat component.

14. (Currently Amended) The trim panel of claim 13, ~~further comprising~~ wherein at least one of the first portion and the second portion is configured to be at least partially covered by a decorative surface that at least partially covers the ~~support part~~ seat component.

15. (Currently Amended) The trim panel of claim 14, ~~wherein the support part comprises~~ further comprising locking elements for locking ~~[[a]]~~ the decorative surface in place.

16. (Currently Amended) The trim panel of claim 13, ~~wherein the support part further comprises~~ further comprising stiffening elements.

17. (Previously Presented) The trim panel of claim 16, wherein the stiffening elements are ribs.

18. (Currently Amended) A vehicle seat comprising:
a seat substructure having a first part and a second part, the first part being movable in a horizontal direction relative to the second part;
a seat component movable with the first part in the horizontal direction and displaceable relative to the first part in a second direction, the seat component comprising a seat cushion; and
a trim panel comprising a first portion attached to the seat component, a second portion that provides support to the seat cushion and a third portion that substantially conceals the first part of the seat substructure,
wherein the trim panel is displaceable with the seat component, ~~provides support to the seat cushion and substantially conceals the first part of the seat substructure~~ relative to the first part in the second direction.
19. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 18, wherein the second direction is at least one of a vertical direction for adjusting height and an angular direction for adjusting inclination.
20. (Currently Amended) The vehicle seat of claim 18, wherein the third portion of the trim panel ~~[[is]]~~ comprises a skirt downwardly extending from a lateral edge of the seat component.
21. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 18, wherein the seat component comprises a seat cushion.
22. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 18 wherein the seat component comprises a seat shell.
23. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 22, wherein the first part of the seat substructure has a frame substantially encircling the seat shell.

24. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 23 wherein the frame runs substantially in the plane of the seat shell.

25. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 18, wherein the seat component and trim panel are at least partially covered by a decorative surface.

26. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 25, wherein the trim panel comprises locking elements for locking the decorative surface in place.

27. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 18, wherein the trim panel further comprises stiffening ribs.

28. (Currently Amended) A vehicle seat comprising:
a seat substructure having a first part and a second part, the first part being movable in a horizontal direction relative to the second part;
a seat component movable with the first part in the horizontal direction and displaceable relative to the first part in a second direction, the seat component comprising a seat cushion;
a trim panel comprising a first portion attached to the seat component, a second portion that provides support to the seat cushion and a third portion that substantially conceals the first part of the seat substructure, the trim panel being displaceable with the seat component relative to the first part in the second direction ~~and downwardly extending therefrom, the trim panel provides support to the seat cushion and is configured to substantially conceal the first part of the seat substructure;~~
a decorative surface at least partially covering the seat component and trim panel,
and
a locking element provide at the trim panel for securing the decorative surface in place.

29. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 28, wherein the trim panel comprises stiffening elements.

30. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 29, wherein the stiffening elements are ribs.

31. (Previously Presented) The vehicle seat of claim 29, wherein the second direction is at least one of a vertical direction for adjusting height and an angular direction for adjusting inclination.

32. (Currently Amended) The ~~trim panel~~ vehicle seat of claim 28, wherein the trim panel conceals at least the first part of the seat substructure from a lateral view.